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and the crowds focused upon the Polo Grounds until at 1 o'clock every seat had been sold, and still the waves of fans beat upon the fences and entrances of the park, until the management was obliged to call upon the city authorities for help in holding the disappointed thousands in check. When the gates rolled back the stands took on a scene of animation that was startling, so quick was the transfor-

ation from tiers of wooden seats to rows of bobbing humanity.

Crowd Begins to Arrive.

Long before noon the lower sections of the grandstands were filled. As the noon hour struck, the last of the seats was sold, and before another sixty minutes had passed standing room alone remained.

An hour or so before the game began the little gate in the centre field fence opened, and the Giants and Athletics trooped forth to the accompaniment of a burst of cheering that could be heard for blocks. There was little ceremony in this entrance of the actors of the day, and soon the Athletics were in the midst of batting practice.

In marked contrast to the scenes of previous years, the great gathering was noticeably undemonstrative. The Athletics appeared to have almost as many supporters present as the Giants, and their appearance and every succeeding brilliant play elicited as much applause as did those of the home team. The same conditions prevailed all through the game.

Eddie Murphy, playing in his first world's series, faced Marquard when Empire Klem called "play ball." The left-handed pitcher grooved the first ball. It was caught by Murphy on the end of his bat and sent to Murray for an easy catch. Oldring started the Athletics' rooters shouting, when he slashed a single to right field. Marquard kept the runner close to the bag, and finally, by a lightning throw, caught him napping. Oldring protested against Empire Klem's decision. On the next ball pitched Collins shot a clean base hit to centre. He was left at first when Baker flied out to third.

Cheers Soon Quieted.

Cheers which greeted the Giants when they came to bat were soon quieted. Shafer, first to face the Chipewin Indian, sent up a fly to Murphy in right field, and Doyle flied out to Strunk. Fletcher sent a grounder past shortstop. On the first ball pitched, Fletcher tried to steal, but Schang's beautiful throw to Collins beat him, and the side was out.

The American League champions went out in order in the second. McInnis was out, Herzog to Merkle. Strunk struck out, and Barry was the third out on a grounder, Fletcher to Merkle.

New York got one man on base in its half of the second, but he did not get beyond first. Burns struck out. McInnis, unassisted, took care of Herzog's grounder. Murray shot a single along the left field foul line. Oldring, by good sprinting and a fast throw kept him from stretching it into a two-

bagger. The Indian pitcher seemed to put on more speed when New York's redskin catcher came to bat. Meyers, however, got to his brother Indian, but the ball shot up in the air and into Oldring's hands.

Mack's young catcher opened the Athletics' third by flying out to Burns. Bender sent a lazy grounder to Fletcher and was out at first. Murphy sent a single to centre, but was forced by Oldring. Fletcher made the out unassisted.

The Giants broke the ice in the third inning, when Bender was touched up for two hits. Merkle sent a slow grounder to Shortstop Barry. It was a scratch single. Marquard sacrificed, putting Merkle on second. He was held there while Shafer was caught out by Strunk, but he sprinted home a minute later on Doyle's smoking single to right field. Fletcher sent up a long fly to Murphy.

Crowd in Good Humor.

New York's having the "edge" on Philadelphia, put the crowd in good humor. The Athletics then went after Marquard. They shelled the outer works of the Giants, and when the smoke blew away three runs were across the plate. Collins opened up with a terrific drive over Shafer's head. The ball rolled through the centre field stands. Collins drew up at third. Baker drove a hard one at Doyle, which the latter could not handle in time to get him at first, and Collins raced home for the first Philadelphia base drive to deep centre field. The ball struck the fingers of Shafer's left hand and rolled on toward the centre field stand. Bender ended the inning by going out, Marquard to Merkle.

Burns opened New York's fourth by slamming a double down the left field line, but he was run down when Bender stopped Herzog's grounder. Baker touched Burns out near second base. Herzog, in the meantime, sprinted to second, where he was left, as Murray struck out and Meyers sent a high fly to Oldring.

The fifth inning brought more fame to "Home Run" Baker. Both Murphy and Oldring were thrown out at first by Marquard on easy grounders. Collins got the first base on balls in the game, and promptly stole second. With two out and Collins on second, exactly

the same situation as obtained in Philadelphia two years ago, when Baker hit Marquard for a home run, presented itself. Baker let two balls go by him, and then opened up his shoulders as the next one came down. There was a crack of the bat, and the ball sailed high and far, dropping in the right field. As Collins and Baker came home Philadelphia partisans yelled themselves hoarse. McInnis sent a pop fly to Fletcher.

Bender's One Bad Inning.

Bender's one bad inning came in the fifth. Merkle singled to centre. McCormick, batting for Marquard, drove a base hit to centre field, Merkle taking second. Shafer went out, Collins to McInnis, both runners moving up on the play. Doyle shot a grounder at Barry, who made a poor throw to first, and the runner was safe as Merkle

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crossed the plate with the Giants' second run. A moment later McCormick, who had gone down to third on the play on Doyle, came home when Fletcher singled to right field. Doyle moved up to third on Fletcher's hit and scored New York's fourth run of the game while Baker was throwing Fletcher out at second on Burns's grounder. Herzog sent a high fly to Collins.

Pitcher Crandall relieved Marquard in the sixth, and easily disposed of the Philadelphians. Strunk flied to Shafer and Barry did likewise. Schang went out on a fly to Burns. Crandall was cheered as he walked to the bench.

New York also went out in one, two, three order in its half of the sixth. Murray was out, Collins to McInnis, and Meyers was thrown out by Bender. With two out and the count three and two for Merkle, the latter made a half swing at a low and wild pitch. Schang dropped the ball, picked it up, touched Merkle, and then rolled the ball to the pitcher's box. Merkle went to first base, and, seeing the ball roll past the pitcher's box, started to second. Collins got the ball, relayed it to McInnis, and, as Merkle tried to get back to first, McInnis touched him with the ball. Merkle was declared out by Egan, ending the inning.

It appears that Empire Klem had given Merkle his base on balls instead of a strike-out, of which Schang was not aware, and Merkle was trying to take advantage of the confusion and rolling ball to take second base.

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Things looked rosy for New York in the seventh, but their fine chance to score was killed by a lightning double play, in which Barry and Collins were the master workmen. Crandall was not aware of the confusion and rolling ball to take second base. Crandall again had the Athletics tied up in the seventh inning. Bender struck out. Murphy was an easy out, Doyle to Merkle, and Oldring sent a fly to Shafer.

third. With two on bases and no one out, Tesreau relieved Crandall. Tesreau immediately put his spit ball into action and Strunk struck out on three pitched balls. Baker, McInnis and Barry then tried the hit and run. Tesreau appeared to be wise to the play and pitched the ball high. Both runners were caught between the bases, tried to steal second, and was out. Meyers to Doyle. The crowd started to move out when New York came to bat. Merkle grounded out, Barry to McInnis; McInnis, pinch-hitting for Tesreau, sent a pop fly to Barry, and the game was over when Shafer struck out.

Although New York got a man on base in the eighth, he could not advance. Burns went out, Baker to McInnis, Herzog was thrown out at first

ly Collins, and Murray lit a boulder over Baker's head, giving him first Meyers sent a long fly to Strunk.

In Philadelphia's final turn at bat Schang was thrown out at first by Herzog, and Tesreau took care of Bender's slow grounder, throwing him out at first. Eddie Murphy drew a base on balls, and the inning closed when he tried to steal second, and was out. Meyers to Doyle. The crowd started to move out when New York came to bat. Merkle grounded out, Barry to McInnis; McInnis, pinch-hitting for Tesreau, sent a pop fly to Barry, and the game was over when Shafer struck out.

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